Date June 7, 1971 To File

Subject Abandonment of Application

Our File 582-509B From GJB
West Germany

On last Friday, June 4, I talked with Bill Cridlin in connection with continued prosecution of this application which is under rejection as being unpatentable over certain art, as well as a rejection based on the examiner's conviction that the claimed product did not burn. In the course of the discussion with Mr. Cridlin, he indicated that because the examples in the description all were limited to a tobacco derived product and since the claims also were limited to a fibrous tobacco material, PM was not interested in conducting tests to overcome the objections of the examiner. In view of this, Mr. Cridlin indicated that if we concurred with his judgement, the case should be allowed to become abandoned. Accordingly, we are instructing our agent in Germany to allow this case to become abandoned.

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